THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgement dated 14th August, 2003 in the *'Islamic Academy of Education'* case, has clarified that different percentage of quota for students to be admitted by the management in each minority or non-minority unaided professional colleges shall be separately fixed on the basis of their need by the respective State Governments. In pursuance of the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, AICTE has issued guidelines for Common Entrance Test for admission during the academic year 2004-05 to (i) MBA/ PGDBA (equivalent programmes), (ii) MCA programmes; and (iii) Degree Level Course in Engineering, Architecture/Planning and Pharmacy programmes. According to these guidelines, for the year 2004-05, admissions shall be made either through an All India Common Entrance Test (s) or through State level tests. Management seats in private unaided self-financing institutions shall be filled through either of the Common Entrance Test or through a Common Entrance Test conducted by an approved agency (including Association of all Colleges of a particular type in the State). The Hon'ble Court has also directed that the State Government shall set up, in each State, a Committee headed by a retired High Court Judge to ensure that the test conducted by the Association of Colleges is fare and transparent.

Privatisation of colleges and schools

†1924. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have taken a decision to make the higher education management in accordance with the agreement of World Trade Organisation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the privatisation and globalisation of colleges and schools would convert these institutions in shops of education; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) if not, the reaction of Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) No, Sir. The World Trade Organisation (WTO) has classified services into 12 Sectors for Trade in Services under General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) and Education is one of them. No commitment has been made so far in Education Sector under GATS.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) To maintain the quality and standards of education, University Grants Commission (UGC) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) have framed appropriate rules/guidelines for entry and operation of private universities/institutions imparting education in India. This will ensure that private participation in Education Sector does not dilute the prescribed standards.

Result of BITM course

1925. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question No. 81 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th July, 2002 and state:

(a) whether the results of the students who appeared in the final examination of the BITM course, conducted by the Utkal University, Orissa, in the year 2003, have already been declared; and

(b) if not, by when the results of the final exams of the said course are to be declared by the said University?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission, the evaluation of the final year BITM examination, 2003 has been completed only on 16.12.2003. The University would declare the result as soon as the tabulation and scrutiny are over.